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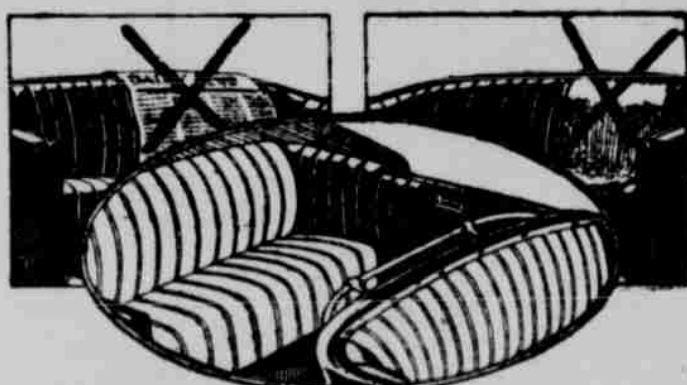
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LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

Best Candies—DeLuxe.—77-tf-c
Watch for "The Revenge of Tarzan"—adv.
A new "Tarzan" Picture, Strand soon.—adv.
Levering Jones was a Saginaw visitor Sunday.
Clothing for young men and youths at Rockstein's.—62-1.
You will find the best bread in Butter Cup wrappers. 02-tf-c
A. W. Davis was home from Saginaw the first of the week.
Buy your school clothes at Rockstein's and save money.—62-1.
John-Chick was at La Strange lake Wednesday on a short fishing trip.
Harley Williams left Monday evening for Chicago on a business trip.

Verne Calkins spent the first of the week at Houghton lake on a fishing trip.
See Rex Beach's "The Silver Horde"—Strand next Thursday and Friday.—adv.

The banks of this city will be closed Tuesday, election day being a legal holiday.
Miss Bertha McLaren spent the week end visiting with friends in Grand Rapids.

Decorate your automobile and join the big Republican parade Friday night.—62-1w-c.

Mr. and Mrs. Myron Hill are the proud parents of a girl, born to them this morning.

John Myers of Ithaca, justice of the peace there, was in Alma on business Monday.

Dr. E. G. Shuyter, osteopathic physician, State Savings Bank Building, Alma, both phones. 57-tf

Miss Mary Shunleff of Cross Village is visiting for a few days at the home of H. S. Babcock.

Rockstein can fit you out for school from tip to toe. Clothes, shoes, socks, cap and shirts.—62-adv.
Flour sale, pure Spring wheat flour, Gold Medal at \$14.50 per bbl. Gerhardt & Smith.—62-1

We are making chances for the other fellow, why not you? Lewis Hudson, phone 383.—62-1w-c

The new Gaffney Style shop will be closed Thursday, September 2, until 7:30 in the evening.—adv.

Mr. Joseph Glendening of Detroit is spending a few days visiting at the Beshgetoor home in this city.

Rex Babcock and wife of Farmington are spending the week with his father, H. S. Babcock, and family.

Ivan Nelson of Saginaw was an Alma visitor Tuesday. He will be remembered as a former Alma resident.

Mr. Alonzo Beshgetoor, who is in the employ of the Dow Chemical Co. at Midland, is visiting his parents in Alma.

James A. Green of the attorney generals office in Lansing was in Alma visiting with old friends Wednesday.

Rev. Peter White of Alma is seriously ill at Evart with typhoid fever. His many friends here hope for a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Deitz of Lansing are guests at the home of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Deitz, this week.

Roy Darnell of the Republic traffic department with his family is spending a week's vacation with relatives in Illinois.

The W. R. C. Thimble club will meet with Mrs. Fisher Wednesday, September 1st, 520 Hannah Ave. All day meeting. Pot luck dinner.

James Green and Mrs. C. F. Brown left this morning for Kirksville, Mo., where Mr. Green expects to resume his work in the college there.

Mrs. Harvey Brown and daughter of Detroit and Mrs. Clyde Forgett and children of Mt. Pleasant spent the week end in Alma, guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Snell.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Eagon of Fremont, Ohio, and the former's uncle, Dr. Eagon of South Dakota, were Alma visitors the first of the week. Clyde Eagon will be remembered by older residents of the city, as a former Alma boy.

One of the largest sheet music counters in Michigan, at Smith's Music shop. Drop in and see the large array whether you buy or not. Did you get the new hit, Ask the Rose, Goodbye Sunshine Hello Moon, The Japanese Sand Man and Down the Trail to Home Sweet Home?—60-1-c.

The next regular meeting of Alma Chapter No. 43 O. E. S. will be held Friday evening, September 3, at which time a Worthy Matron, Associate Matron and Conductors will be elected and installed and final arrangements for the musical comedy to be given in October will be made. All members requested to be present.

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Having been informed by some of the prominent citizens of Gratiot county that criticism is being made of the present management of the Probate Office, with reference to the so called "Mother's Pension," I desire to make a little explanation in reference thereto.

When the law first took effect in August 1913, I allowed fourteen pensions between that time and March 1914, when applications began to come so quick and fast that I concluded to take the matter up with the Board of Supervisors. At the April session following, I went before the Board and explained the matter fully, and the consensus of opinion seemed to be that it would be better if all the applications were referred to the Poor Commission for them to deal with as they thought best; since then no pensions have been granted in Gratiot county and all applications for pensions have been turned over to the Poor Commission, with the result that we have very few dependent children in Gratiot county and all are cared for as well as in any county in the state.

It is idle to say that the Poor Commission—three splendid men—cannot provide for dependent children, as a part of their work better that the Judge of Probate, as all of the poor of the county is committed by law to their care and they are kept in constant touch with them in caring for their needs, and in so doing they are not expending for the care of the poor more than other counties of equal population. The payment of pensions is, therefore, an added burden to the tax payer.

Few realize the amount of money required for the payment of these pensions, so let us look into the question a little. The following, based upon the result in other counties, is considered a low estimate:

Number of families in Alma wanting pensions, 20.
Ithaca and St. Louis, each ten, 20.
Breckenridge and Wheeler, 5.
Riverdale, Elm Hall and Sumner, 5.
Middleton, Perrinton, and Pompeii, 5.
Ashley and Bannister, 5.
County at large, 10.
Total number, 70.

Allowing three children to each family, which is also a low estimate, we have 210 children, who if granted \$2.00 each week, will cost \$420.00, and in one year of 52 weeks will amount to \$21840.00, to be added to the County taxes each year.

I am therefore led to believe that by the joint understanding had in 1914 by the Board of Supervisors, the Poor Commission and the Probate Office, that during the last seven years the tax payers have been saved from \$15,000.00 to \$20,000.00 each year. In carrying out this method, we have all believed that we were doing that which was for the best interest of the tax payer, and for those receiving help, as they are thereby taught self-reliance, and it eliminates the tendency to lean up against the County Treasury for support.

The heart of the Judge of Probate is large enough to grant all applicants pensions, and it is much easier to grant than to deny it; it sometimes takes all the back-bone the Judge of Probate has to refuse the assistance asked for, but I have as yet to learn of a case in which the Poor Commission have failed to furnish the needed relief; it may be open to criticism as to whether we have adopted the best policy, but we have all acted conscientiously, and if we have made a mistake, it is a mistake of the head and not of the heart, as we desire to do that which is best for all concerned.

Respectfully submitted,
Pol. Adv. J. Lee Potts.

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